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SUBJECT: REPLY TO PRESIDENT LAUGERUD'S CONGRATULATORY  
MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT CARTER.

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER THE FOLLOWING TO PRESI-  
DENT LAUGERUD: "DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

"I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR KIND MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON  
MY INAUGURATION AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

"IT IS MY FERVENT HOPE THAT THE NEXT FOUR YEARS WILL BRING  
SUSTAINED WORLD PEACE AND INCREASING INTERNATIONAL  
COOPERATION, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH  
YOU IN PURSUIT OF THE GOALS OUR COUNTRIES SHARE.

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"I WANT TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE  
PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTRY AND OURS.

"SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER."

2. FYI: INCOMING IS AS FOLLOWS:

"AS YOUR EXCELLENCY ASSUMES THE HIGH OFFICE TO WHICH YOU  
WERE ELECTED, I AM PLEASED TO CONGRATULATE YOU AND TO

EXTEND BEST WISHES THAT YOUR ADMINISTRATION MAY ENHANCE  
THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP UNITING OUR TWO COUNTRIES AN  
BRING PROSPERITY TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

"YOURS TRULY, (EUGENIO LAUGERUD GARCIA) PRESIDENT OF  
GUATEMALA."

3. THE WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE THIS  
EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF THE  
RECIPIENT WISHES TO DO SO.

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